

HAPPENINGS IN VERMONT

Local Items of Interest From All Parts of the Green Mountain State.

THE NEWS BY COUNTIES

From the Island in the Lake to the Passumpsic, Along Otter Creek and by the Shores of White River.

ADDISON COUNTY

MIDDLEBURY.

The funeral of Mrs. Jesse Bouillon, who died Friday afternoon, was held at St. Mary's Church at 2:30 o'clock Monday morning. The Rev. Father J. D. Shannon officiating. There was a very large attendance. The burial was in the local Catholic cemetery. Besides her husband, Mrs. Bouillon leaves three young daughters and is also survived by her father, John Boudreau, and two brothers and sisters. Mrs. Bouillon was born in the town of Middlebury, N. Y., where she was married to Mr. Jesse Bouillon. She was a native of the town of Middlebury, N. Y., where she was married to Mr. Jesse Bouillon. She was a native of the town of Middlebury, N. Y., where she was married to Mr. Jesse Bouillon.

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Mrs. Harry McCallan of St. Albans, John Walsh of Bennington and Samuel Leavine of Granville, N. Y., brothers-in-law of the late Mrs. Jesse Bouillon, who were here to attend her funeral Monday. The fair given by the ladies of St. Mary's Catholic parish opened at the own hall Tuesday evening with bright prospects. There was a large attendance and the special features were carried out excellently. The Middlebury orchestra of six pieces is furnishing music. Mrs. A. E. Warden of Rutland is visiting in town for a few days. The Progressive club held a well-attended meeting at their headquarters in the Battell block Tuesday evening and there was plenty of enthusiasm. Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Cheney are visiting in Rutland, as are also Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Liberty. George Broussard has gone to Pittsfield, Mass., for an extended stay. Among visitors here from out of town are: J. E. Harmon of Burlington, J. P. Hink of Boston, William K. Grover of Schenectady, N. Y., George K. Wilson of Fall River, Mass., Miss Grace Amery of Troy, N. Y., and Homer J. Thomas and John T. Burleigh of Williamstown, Mass. A heavy rain storm occurred Tuesday, the first for some time, and it put an effective stop to all outside work on the many building operations going forward in town. Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Warden of Brooklyn, N. Y., are in town. Dr. W. J. White has returned from the New York Post Graduate

School of Medicine, where he has been engaged in special study.

VERGENNES.

A quiet wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cary H. Marshall Wednesday evening of last week, when their daughter, Charlotte E. Marshall, was united in marriage to Wendell H. Bame of Whitehall, N. Y. The couple, unattended, entered the room where the ceremony was performed to a wedding march played by Miss Blanche Hoffnagle of Vergennes. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. C. T. Reekie of Addison and took place before a bank of plants and ferns. The bride's dress was of pearly or pink cloth worn more than 30 years before by the bride's mother. It was brought to the present bride's grandmother by her husband more than 50 years ago. The bride carried white carnations with asparagus ferns. Among those from away were Stanley D. Marshall and Charlotte E. Harvey of Whitehall, N. Y. A wedding supper was served after the ceremony, only a few friends and relatives being present. The groom is a business man of Whitehall, N. Y., where after a brief wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Bame will reside. The dredge which Thomas Mack has been building was launched Saturday afternoon. The dredge has been named the Otter Creek of Vergennes and is 40 feet long, with 30 feet beam and four feet sides, has 16 inch hansom at the bow and 24 inch hansom at the stern. The boom is 40 feet long, 10x12, and will operate five cubic feet of Hayward orange peel, which is the technical name of the apparatus which does the work. On the stern she carries a 40 foot pile driver with a 2,000 pound hammer capable of driving a 90 foot pile. The dredge was designed by Peter LaFontaine of Champlain, N. Y., and built in this city under his direction. She is made of white pine, white oak, red elm and rock maple. She is equipped with an Orr and Semberow tandem double drum hoisting engine. The dredge was built by Mr. Mack to dredge the creek to make the approach to his coal sheds more accessible but will first be towed to Burlington and used to repair the Lyman Coal company's dock, which is a large pile driver. She is under the direction of Mr. Mack to dredge the creek to make the approach to his coal sheds more accessible but will first be towed to Burlington and used to repair the Lyman Coal company's dock, which is a large pile driver.

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FATE OF BECKER WITH JURY TO-DAY

Charge of Justice Goff in Rosenthal Murder Case This Morning.

DEFENDANT'S FACE A MASK

Betrays No Emotion during Plea of His Counsel or the Denunciation of the Prosecutor.

New York, Oct. 23.—The fate of Police Lieutenant Charles Becker, on trial for the murder of Herman Rosenthal, will rest with the jury to-morrow. Counsel for both sides completed to-day their appeals to the jury and all that remained to close the case when adjournment was taken to-night was Justice Goff's charge to the jury, which he will deliver to-morrow morning.

Becker sat throughout the day with almost impassible countenance. He heard himself characterized by John F. McIntyre, his chief counsel, as the victim of a conspiracy plot led by Jack Rose, "the hell of the assassins," and by Assistant District Attorney Moss as "the brains behind the gunmen," with a tremendous motive for murder. What emotions he may have felt were masked by perfect control of his features.

The defense centered its attack on the States case almost wholly on Rose's testimony which Mr. McIntyre denounced as unworthy of belief because "Jack Rose testified to save himself from the electric chair." Mr. Moss warmly resented the implication that Mr. Whitman had any other motive than duty for seeking the conviction of Becker and denounced "the vilification of counsel for the defense" as revealing the "desperate straits to which he has come." Mr. Moss accused Mr. McIntyre of misrepresenting the evidence to the jury, impugning Becker's attorney to jump to his feet and shake his fist in the face of his opponent as he uttered an indignant denial. The lawyers spent four hours each in summing up the evidence.

WHY DID HE GET AFFIDAVIT?

"If Becker did not have a motive for the murder why did he want to get an affidavit from Rose two days after Rosenthal was dead?" Mr. Moss asked. "The truth is Becker did not know how things would go. He saw the possibility that Rose might be a witness against him and he got an affidavit from Rose to silence him. He got Rose to swear his own life away, so that he couldn't testify against him in this case." Sam Schepps, Mr. Moss' counsel, was necessary after the fact, but had come forward to testify because Becker had thrown "his pal, Rose, to the dogs." "Why," asked the prosecutor, "if Becker had no interest in the murder did he visit the police station where Rosenthal's body was lying? Becker was off duty. What reason did he have to go there?"

Mr. Moss declared that the defense had dwelt throughout the trial upon an alleged conspiracy to murder Rosenthal, "founded on the hatred of the underworld," but had not introduced a shred of proof that any such conspiracy had existed. Mr. McIntyre had examined Rose, Webster and Vallon as to conversations with various persons concerning this alleged plot, but had failed to produce these persons as witnesses, Mr. Moss declared.

Answering Mr. McIntyre's declaration that the four gunmen, might as well even if Becker were convicted, Mr. Moss said, "Have no fear that you will ever meet these four men on Broadway. We have not disclosed our entire case against them yet, and you needn't be afraid of meeting Rose, Webster and Vallon there, either, after this trial is over. Their friends, the gunmen of the underworld, will take care of that."

NO CASE WITHOUT INFORMERS.

For the character of his witnesses, Mr. Moss offered no apology. He declared, however, that if the district attorney had not accepted the testimony of the four informers, Rose, Webster, Vallon and Schepps, all 10 men connected with the case would not be at the trial. Frederick Hawley, the newspaper reporter put on by the defense to prove an alibi for Becker in connection with the alleged meeting with Rose and Webster the morning of the murder, was declared by Mr. Moss to have been really a witness for the State.

"He testified that he telephoned Becker," said Mr. Moss, "and told him of the murder. Jack Rose testified that when he telephoned Becker, Becker had told him that he had heard of the murder from a newspaper man."

Mr. Moss denounced the defense for criticizing Sam Schepps as a murderer. "Schepps never premeditated the killing of Herman Rosenthal," he said, "but after it was done and he learned about the murder, he committed the crime of hiding. He was an accessory after the fact, which is a separate crime from murder and not punishable in the same degree."

"Rose wrote to Schepps, his pal, and said 'The electric chair stares us in the face. The only one to get out from under was Becker. He deserted me like a dirty dog.'"

SAYS BECKER HAD A MOTIVE.

"Why did Becker send his lawyer, Mr. Hart, to Jack Rose at midnight to get that affidavit if not to clear himself of a motive?" "There was a tremendous motive on the part of Becker to put Rosenthal out of the way," continued Mr. Moss pointing his finger at the defendant. "When he died, Becker rejoiced, and Becker's acts preceding, at the time of, and after the murder, establish a chain of circumstances, together with the testimony of Schepps and other witnesses adding the necessary element of corroboration, that convict him of the crime. We ask you to convict this man on a multitude of circumstances which support each other, building up a structure of evidence irrefutably proving that this man committed the crime."

Mr. Moss completed his address at 7:25 and the jurors were cautioned by the court not to discuss the case among themselves. Court was then adjourned till 10:30 to-morrow morning when Justice Goff will deliver his charge.

U. S. GRAND JURY MAY REPORT THIS MORNING

Rutland, Oct. 23.—The trial of the case of Elijah J. Sowles of Manchester vs. Norcross Bros. of Dorset, in which suit is brought to recover damages for injuries received through a falling derrick, again occupied both sessions of the United States district court here to-day. The grand jury is expected to report to-morrow morning and the petit jurors will probably get the Sowles case in the morning.

RESCUE OF CREW AFTER THRILLING 12-HOUR FIGHT

Atlantic City, N. J., Oct. 23.—Federal crews from four different stations late to-day saved the crew of 16 from the Italian back Caterina, bound from Montpelier, N. Y., with a cargo of bone. The rescue was accomplished by use of the breeches buoy after a thrilling 12-hour battle that started at daybreak this morning. A terrific gale and high seas made the work extremely dangerous.

FIVE DIE FIGHTING FIRE IN A POWDER MAGAZINE

North Bay, Ont., Oct. 23.—Five men were instantly killed, a woman fatally injured and three other persons seriously hurt to-day when a magazine containing 10 tons of powder exploded during a fire in the Energetic factory at Halleybury. The building was blown to pieces and the property lost amounted to thousands of dollars. Scores of still employees were driven to the case although many of them were slightly hurt by debris. The dead are: H. Long, superintendent; Thomas Poppleton, Wm. McLaughlin and Fred Ericson, all survived by families, and Robert Young, was unmarried. Mrs. Fred Ericson was struck by a piece of flying metal and will die. The fire started in the gridding department of the powder room. Superintendent Long and the others who were killed remained in the burning building to fight the flames after they had warned others to leave.

NEWS TOLD IN BRIEF.

Long Branch, N. J., has seven residents whose ages aggregate 554 years.

Of New York's \$7,500,000,000 of assessed real estate, it is estimated two-thirds is mortgaged.

Freight rates on trans-Atlantic liners sailing from Boston have advanced to the highest point in 15 years.

Within the past four years Kansas has lost 67,000 horses and gained 16,000 motor vehicles and 1,700 traction engines.

The New York Herald's weekly review of the presidential outlook says Wilson is leading in 26 States, Roosevelt in five, Taft in two.

Governor Foss has written President Taft approving in the farm loan bank idea and agreeing to co-operate in pushing the idea in Massachusetts.

Frederick K. Burnham, New York millionaire sportsman who was divorced by Lillian Nordica, and subsequently divorced by two other wives, is married again, according to advices received in New York from Alaska, where Burnham is hunting. The name of the latest wife is not given.

To move this year's "bumper" crop the New York Times estimates 50,000 extra hands are engaged in addition to 1,130,000 regular farm laborers. Extra hands receive \$10,000,000 for their brief term of enlistment. In the great grain States of the West, farm operators, men who own or rent grain land and help in gathering the harvest, number more than 2,200,000, bringing the harvest army up to 4,200,000 men.

AVIATOR FALLS 200 FEET.

Lost Control of Machine while Trying a Spiral Glide.

Montgomery, Ala., Oct. 23.—Aviator Louis Mitchell fell 200 feet here this afternoon and was killed. Mitchell lost control of his machine while trying a spiral glide.

Mitchell had been in the air before 5:00 spectators for over an hour and shortly before five o'clock began his descent at a height of 600 feet, lost control, and at 200 feet the biplane seemed to go to pieces. The aviator was pinned under the motor and was dead when surgeons reached him.

Eugene Heth of Detroit, Mitchell's partner, was flying directly over Mitchell. Heth said to-night that after Mitchell lost control of his machine the plane fell to the perpendicular so that he could see to the ground between them.

Mitchell's body will be taken to-morrow to his home at Camden, Ark., for burial. Mrs. Mitchell, who was among the spectators, did not see her husband fall.

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SPEAKER HIRSH'S UP LEGISLATORS

Members of the House Are Usually Slow in Presenting Their Bills.

FEARS CONJUNCTION OF WORK

Adequate Room for Committees May Be Opposed by Those Who Would Have Capital Changed.

Montpelier, Oct. 23.—Hedgehogs still occupied the attention of some legislators to-day. Mr. Pollard introduced a bill at the morning session of the Senate providing for a reduction of the bounty to 20 cents. In the House Mr. Cook of Lyndon at the morning session moved a reconsideration of yesterday's vote refusing a third reading to the bill repealing the bounty law, but the motion failed. In the afternoon Mr. Gage of Weatherford offered a bill reducing the bounty to 15 cents.

Speaker Hiram this afternoon called attention to House rule 41 which provides that no bill shall be introduced after the first Tuesday of November except by unanimous consent. Members have been unusually slow in presenting their bills. There are many new members in the House who seem not to understand that they can have their bills put in proper form by the committee on revision and are waiting for advice and information before attempting to put their bills on paper.

If bills are in the hands of the revision committee before the date of expiration of the rule, they are considered to have been introduced and unanimous consent is not required for their presentation to either House. The committees of both Houses are working well on the measures that have come before them, but the number of bills in either house is much smaller than is usual at this time. An unusually large number of bills is expected, but unless these make their appearance within a short time there will be an accumulation and congestion of work that will impede the efforts of the best intended members.

LACK OF ROOM HAMPERS WORK.

Every day shows increasingly the immediate necessity for more room for the transaction of State business. Not only is it difficult to find sufficient committee rooms, but the State officers themselves are crowded for accommodations. Mr. Batchelder of Bennington introduced a joint resolution this morning, which has been adopted by both houses, providing for a special committee of two senators and three representatives to investigate the need for more room and report to this Legislature.

There will be some opposition to any move for making an addition to the State House or the erection of another building for office purposes. Some officials hold that the more uncomfortable conditions are made here the more likely it will become that the seat of government will be removed from Montpelier. Still others believe that it would be unwise to make any expensive additions to the present accommodations for the Legislature and State officers because sooner or later the capital will be located in some other city and the State will then have to forfeit all the property it may hold here.